

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Claims 1, 2, 5, 20, 28, and 37 have been amended to more clearly define the present invention and expedite prosecution of the present case. Claims 3, 8-11, 13, 15-19, 24, 26, 27, 29-36, and 38 have been canceled without prejudice pursuant to the restriction requirement. Applicants reserve the right to pursue patent protection for these additional inventions in any subsequent filing. New claims 39-54 have been added. Applicants believe all claim amendments and new claims are fully supported by the originally filed specification.

In response to the restriction requirement mailed December 16, Applicants hereby elect species 4 directed at Fig. 2D. Applicants believe that all pending claims, 1-2, 4-7, 12, 14, 20-23, 25, 28, 37, and 39-54 read on this election.

If the Examiner believes a telephone conference would expedite prosecution of this application, please telephone the undersigned at 415-576-0200.

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